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SUBJECT: MACHEL AND KAUNDA CONFER IN MOZAMBIQUE

1. SUMMARY PRESIDENTS MACHEL AND KAUNDA MET IN NORTHERN MOZAMBIQUE FOR TWO DAYS ON MARCH 18/19. DISCUSSIONS CENTERED ON BI LATERAL RELATIONS. NO OTHER FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS WERE PRESENT. PF LEADERS DID NOT ATTEND, ALTHOUGH SAM NUJOMA RE REPODREDLY ACCOMPANIED KAUNDA TO MOZAMBIQUE. END SUMMARY.

2. PRESIDENTS SAMORA MACHEL AND KENNETH KAUNDA MET IN NAMPULA ON MARCH 18 AND 19. PRESIDENT MACHEL WAS ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN MINISTER JOAQUIM CHISSANO, MINISTER OF LABOR MARIANO MATSINHE, MINISTER OF PUBLIC WORKS JULIO CARRILHO AND SEVERAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OTHER SENIOR OFFICIALS. KAUNDA'S DELEGATION INCLUDED RUBEN KAMANGA AND NUMBER OF OTHER SENIOR UNIP AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

3. PRESS DESCRIBED NAMPULA GATHERING AS MEETING OF MOZAMBICAN ZAMBIAN MIXED COMMISSION ON ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL COOPERATION. JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED FOLLOWING CONCLUSION

OF THE MEETING FOCUSED EXCLUSIVELY ON BI LATERAL ISSUES. COMMUNIQUE SAID THAT THE TWO GOVERNMENTS REVIEWED PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN BI LATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, IDENTIFIED NEW AREAS FOR ECONOMIC ASSOCIATIONS. URGED INCREASED COOPERATION BETWEEN UNIP AND FRELIMO AND REAFFIRMED FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND ZAMBIA.

4. FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO, WHO READ THE COMMUNIQUE, ALSO SAID THAT THE MOZAMBIKAN ZAMBIAN COMMISSION HAD AGREED TO ESTABLISH THREE WORKING LEVEL COMMISSIONS: ONE ON POLITICAL RELATIONS BETWEEN UNIP AND FRELIMO, A SECOND ON ECONOMIC SUBJECTS AND A THIRD ON SOCIAL EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATION TOPICS. CHISSANO ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT THE PUBLIC WORKS MINISTERS OF BOTH COUNTRIES WOULD BE MEETING IN APRIL AND THAT IN JUNE AND JULY DELEGATIONS FROM THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD MEET AGAIN TO DISCUSS COMMERCIAL AND AGRICULTURAL SUBJECTS.

5. PRESS ACCOUNTS AND JOINT COMMUNIQUE DID NOT MENTION RHODESIA PROBLEM, AND NONE OF THE OTHER FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS ATTENDED NAMPULA MEETING. PF LEADERS WERE ALSO ABSENT. ALTHOUGH ONE PAPER STATED THAT SAM NUJOMA ACCOMPANIED PRESIDENT KAUNDA TO MOZAMBIQUE.

6. COMMENT WHILE NAMPULA MEETING APPEARS TO HAVE FOCUSED PRIMARILY ON BILATERAL ISSUES, WE EXPECT THE TWO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESIDENTS DISCUSSED RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA AS WELL. FOLLOWING RETURN OF OUR ZAMBIAN EMBASSY CONTACTS FROM NAMPULA, EMBASSY WILL TRY TO GET READOUT ON MEETING.
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